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C O N F I D E N T I A L NEW DELHI 10420

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: EGEN, EAID, IN, US  
SUBJECT: VISIT OF DEPUTY SECRETARY: MEETING WITH FINANCE  
MINISTER H.W. PATEL

1. IN RESPONSE TO DEPUTY SECRETARY'S QUESTION, MINISTER PATEL SAID HE FELT CIEC RESULTS HAD BEEN PARTIALLY SATISFACTORY. HE THOUGHT THE TALKS HELD IN LONDON PRIOR TO THAT TIME HAD INFLUENCED THE FINAL POSITIONS TAKEN THERE.
2. AS FOR RUMORS THAT SOME MORE PERMANENT STRUCTURE UNDER UN AUSPICES MIGHT BE DEVELOPED TO CARRY ON THE WORK OF CIEC, PATEL NOTED THERE WERE SEVERAL FORUMS UNDER THE UN ALREADY IN EXISTENCE. THE GOI HAD NO POSITION AT PRESENT ON ANY PROPOSAL.
3. THE DEPUTY SECRETARY ASKED WHAT INDIA'S MAIN ECONOMIC CONCERNS WERE AT THIS TIME. MINISTER PATEL REPLIED THE GOI HAD BEEN GREATLY CONCERNED WHEN IT APPEARED THEIR 40 PERCENT ALLOCATION OF IDA FUNDS MIGHT BE REDUCED. THEY WERE GRATIFIED THAT THIS NOW WAS NO LONGER NA ISSUE.
4. MANMOHAN SINGH, SECRETARY, MOF ADDED THAT TWO OTHER CONCERNS WERE THE CONTINUED FLOW OF ODA AND POSSIBLE RESTRICTIONS BY DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AGAINST INDIAN EXPORTS.

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5. THE DEPUTY SECRETARY DESCRIBED STEPS CARTER ADMINISTRATION HAD TAKEN TO ENCOURAGE FREE TRADE, AND SAID U.S. WAS WILLING TO DISCUSS A RESUMPTION OF BILATERAL AID WHENEVER GOI DESIRES. MINISTER PATEL THOUGHT THAT BY THE TIME OF THE WORLD BANK/IMF MEETING IN WASHINGTON (SEP 26) INDIA WOULD BE PREPARED TO BEGIN DISCUSSIONS.

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